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Re: Freedom of Information Request EPA-R10-2014-005091

Dear Mr. Bristol and Ms. Miller:

I am providing you with an interim response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request on behalf of Trout Unlimited, received by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) on March 27, 2014, in which you requested: (1) documents EPA has released in response to past and ongoing FOIA requests; (2) records of all meetings and/or communications with any non-USEPA participants related to the Bristol Bay Watershed Assessment or petitions seeking a CWA 404(c) action in Bristol Bay; and (3) records pertaining to requests for an investigation pertaining to the Watershed Assessment or the petitions. Pursuant to 40 C.F.R. § 2.104(d), an extension of time is required to comply with this interim response as EPA needs to search for and collect the requested records from many different EPA offices.

We previously provided you with a link to FOIA Online, which contains our ongoing response to one of the nine FOIA requests and responses you requested. The other eight FOIA requests and responses have been uploaded to a file protocol (FTP) website. Again, the link to that website is:

ftp://ftp.epa.gov/reg10ftp/bristol_bay_FOIA_reading_room

The reading room also contains all formal correspondence between EPA and external parties regarding the Watershed Assessment and the potential application of CWA 404(c) in Bristol Bay, as well as summaries of emails sent to EPA's Bristol Bay mailbox.

We believe this response satisfies Part One and Part Three of your FOIA request. We will be in touch shortly to discuss Part Two, our response to which may depend in part on the outcome of your fee waiver appeal and/or an additional fee assurance.

Please call me at (206) 553-8694 if you have any questions about the FTP website or your FOIA request.

Sincerely,



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